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SERIAL NUMBER FILING DATE FIRST NAMED APPLICANT ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. **EXAMINER** ART UNIT PAPER NUMBER DATE MAUED: **NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY** 08/287,761 1. This communication is responsive to the application filed on 8 2.4 All the claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice Of Allowance And Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be sent in due 3. The allowed claims are . 4. The drawings filed on ___ 1,000 are acceptable.-'n. 5. 🗆 Acknowledgment is made of the claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified copy has [_] been received. [_] not been received. [_] been filed in parent application Serial No. 6.

Note the attached Examiner's Amendment. 7. Note the attached Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTOL-413. 8. Note the attached Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance. 9. Note the attached NOTICE OF REFERENCES CITED, PTO-892. 10.

Note the attached INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION, PTO-1449. PART II. A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR RESPONSE to comply with the requirements noted below is set to EXPIRE THREE MONTHS FROM THE "DATE MAILED" indicated on this form. Failure to timely comply will result in the ABANDONMENT of this application. Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). 1. 🗆 Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED. 2.

APPLICANT MUST MAKE THE DRAWING CHANGES INDICATED BELOW IN THE MANNER SET FORTH ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS PAPER. a. Drawing informalities are indicated on the NOTICE RE PATENT DRAWINGS, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. .. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED. b.

The proposed drawing correction filed on _ __ has been approved by the examiner. CORRECTION IS c.

Approved drawing corrections are described by the examiner in the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT. CORRECTION IS REQUIRED. d.

Formal drawings are now REQUIRED. Any response to this letter should include in the upper right hand corner, the following information from the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND ISSUE FEE DUE: ISSUE BATCH NUMBER, DATE OF THE NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE, AND SERIAL NUMBER. Attachments: _ Examiner's Amendment - Notice of Informal Application, PTO-152 Examiner Interview Summary Record, PTOL- 413 _ Notice re Patent Drawings, PTO-948 Reasons for Allowance _ Listing of Bonded Draftsmen

Other

Notice of References Cited, PTO-892

._ Information Disclosure Citation, PTO-1449 . .

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Part III REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

1. The following is an Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance: The primary reason for the allowance of the claims is the inclusion of the limitation of a floating member connected to the upper edge of the wall member in combination with a resilient frame member connected to the perimeter of the bottom member. Wherein the floating member serves to raise the wall member upon introduction of liquid into the container as disclosed. Resilient frame member is disclosed as having the property of being collapsible into smaller configurations by twisting and the energy stored by such twisting permits the resilient frame to self-open when manipulated.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the Issue Fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jes F. Pascua whose telephone number is (703) 308-1153.

Jes F. Pascua

Examiner

Art Unit 2401

February 3, 1995

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Note attached communication from the Examiner

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TITLE OF INVENTION

COLLAPSIBLE, SELF-EXPANDING LIQUID CONTAINER

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